

Minutes
BLACKSTONE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
January 10, 2022
6:00 p.m.
BLACKSTONE PUBLIC LIBRARY

VIA ZOOM

- 1) Opening:
 - (a) Call to order and roll call - Mary Lou Branchaud, Maryann Dobeck, Lisa Cheever, Kate Renaud, Patti Guzinski and Jean Alexandrowicz and Kelly Gillis
 - (b) Approved minutes December 13, 2021- Jean Alexandrowicz 1st, Kate Renaud 2nd
 - (c) Next meeting February 14, 2022
 - (d) Library Closings: January 17, 2022 for Martin Luther King Day
 - (e) Next Friend's Meeting January 18, 2022 @ 6:30pm

- 2) Finances:
 - (a) Discussion of FY22 budget year to date
 - (b) FY 23 Budget information and discussion.-
 - 1) Meeting with Selectmen January 15, 2022 10:45am
 - 2) Date for all warrants outstanding – Director to confirm date

- 3) Director: Reports and Discussions
 - (a) Accept 2021 edited Annual Report – Jean Alexandrowicz 1st, Kelly Gillis 2nd
 - (b) 2021 Cookie Walk raised \$2,155
 - (c) Long range plan update at 2/14 meeting
 - (d) Library survey moving forward. Trustees to provide feedback on survey by 1/14. Lisa to schedule patron meeting for input.
 - (e) Committee will be writing a letter in support of Bill H.4120 which addresses the ongoing issue with cost and access to e-book content by libraries.
 - (f) Discussion took place on the 8 Library Networks in the Commonwealth and how these work together to promote access to library materials throughout the State. Trustees asked to be provided with a more detailed explanation of Comcat which is part of this cooperative. Donna Ansell will provide for next month.

- 4) Trustees: Reports and Discussion:
 - (a) Correspondence - thank you's sent to Bear's Tree Farm for greens and to Kathy Tata
 - (b) Approval of Annual Report – See Director: Report and Discussions
 - (c) Discussed legislation regarding Sales Tax re: sale of used library books as it impacts Friends Groups.

- (d) Reduction of hours in this fiscal year will not impact State Aid.
 - (e) Reviewed dates of Trustees meetings – 2nd Monday of the month except for the October meeting which will be held on October 4th.
- 5) Matters the Chairperson reasonably anticipates to be discussed
- (a) Town administrator meeting- water bubbler conversion to refilling station and may be covered by Covid funding – outside security cameras
 - (b) February meeting will discuss Director review and long range plan updates
- 6) Old Business:
- (a) Reviewed Trustees Calendar, Kelly Gillis
 - (b) Approved Policy Manual edits , Library Grounds and Parking Lot– Kelly Gillis 1st, Mary Ann Dobeck 2nd
- 7) Good and Welfare
- 8) Adjournment –Jean Alexandrowicz 1st, Kelly Gillis 2nd

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Kate Renaud
Co-Secretary Blackstone Public Library Board...